

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**In re:** National Stage PCT Application of )  
GROB Carmelina et al. )  
International Application )  
No. PCT/EP00/01967 )  
**Filed:** Concurrently herewith )  
**Application No.:** to be assigned )  
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**For:** MATTING AGENTS FOR )  
THERMALLY CURABLE )  
SYSTEMS )

**Group Art Unit:** to be assigned  
**Examiner:** to be assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants request entry of the following amendments prior to examination on the merits.

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